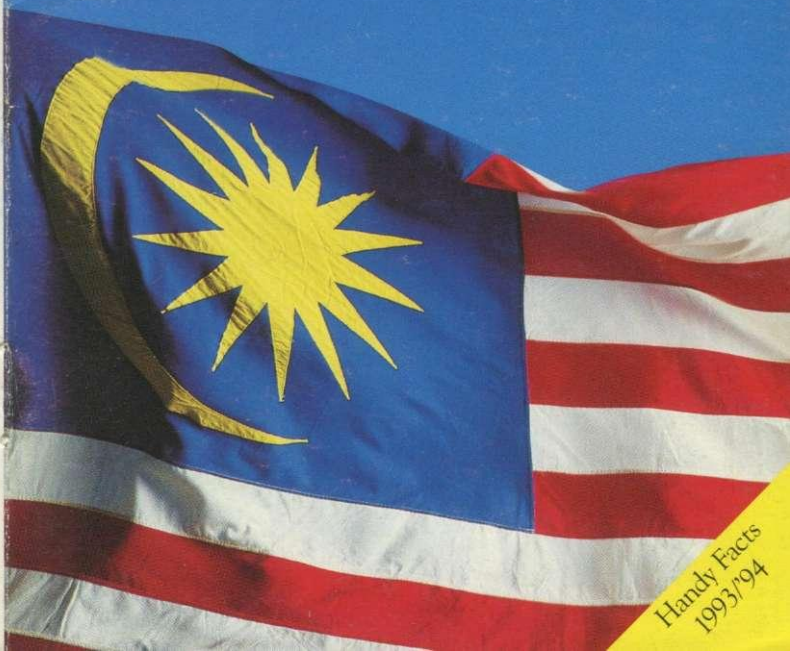




Malaysia



Handy Facts
1993/94

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Currency

1 Malaysian Ringgit (MYR): (100 sen).
Notes: 1, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 500 and 1000 R.
Coins: 1, 5, 10, 20, 50 sen and 1 Ringgit.

Languages

Bahasa Malaysia is the national language, but English is widely spoken. Chinese and Tamil are commonly used.

Climate

Generally warm throughout the year with temperatures ranging from 21°C to 32°C but cooler in the hill resorts. Humidity is high all year round. The rainy season for the East Coast of Peninsular Malaysia and the north-eastern part of Sabah falls during the months of November and February, April, May and October are usually the wet months for the West Coast of peninsular Malaysia.

What to wear

Take plenty of light summer clothing. For women light cotton dresses are the normal day-time wear and for men sport-shirts and slacks. Some larger hotels do expect men to wear lounge suit or long sleeved batik shirt in the evening. For women a cocktail dress will suit most occasions.

Public holidays

1993 (* Dates are subject to changes)

1 January	New Year
23/24 January	Chinese New Year
25/26 March*	Hari Raya Puasa
1 May	Labour Day
1 June*	Hari Raya Haji
5 June	King's Birthday
6 June*	Wesak Day
21 June*	Awal Muharram
30 August	Prophet Muhammed's Birthday
31 August	National day
13 November	Deepavali
25 December	Christmas

Business hours

Shops:
9.30 - 19 hours (Mon. - Sat.)

Shopping Centres:
10 - 22 hours (daily)

Banks:
10 - 15 hours (Mon. - Fri.)
9.30 - 11.30 hours (Sat.)


Government Offices:
8 - 12.45 and 14 - 16.15 hours (Mon. - Thu.)
8 - 12.15 and 14.45 - 16.15 hours (Fri.)
8 - 12.45 hours (Sat.)

In Johor, Kedah, Perlis, Kelantan and Terengganu:
8 - 12.45 and 14 - 16.15 hours (Sat. - Wed.)
8 - 12.45 hours (Thu.) Closed on Fridays.

Shopping

Competitive Ringgit Exchange rates and a wide variety of duty-free goods have made Malaysia a shopper's paradise. There are modern air-conditioned shopping complexes within the city where large department stores are located. Price tagging is mandatory and prices are prominently displayed. For the adventurous type, go for the enthralling experience of bargaining with roadside hawkers, especially those at the "Pasar Malam" (Night Market), in Chinatown which is open every night, or at Jalan Tuanku Abdul Rahman on Saturday nights.

Handycrafts, woodcarvings, silvercraft, batik printing, songket-weaving, bamboo-weaving and pottery are just some of the excellent purchases to take home.

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single from RGT 280, double from RGT 300.
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Hotels

All rates are subject to 5% Government tax and 10% service charge, unless otherwise specified. Terms listed in Malaysian Ringgit are for air-conditioned rooms, with bath, excluding meals. (Prices double rooms within brackets).

Penang

City: Eastern & Oriental: RGT 158 (178); Merlin: RGT 200 (225); Malaysia: RGT 111 (157).

Beach Hotels: Bayview Beach Resort: RGT 235 (250) Hillview, RGT 275 (300) Seaview; Parkroyal: RGT 295 (295) Hillview, RGT 350 (350) Seaview; Casuarina: RGT 230 (250) Seaview; Holiday Inn: RGT 190 (220).

Kuala Lumpur

Shangri-la: RGT 370 (410); Regent of Kuala Lumpur: RGT 430 (430); Parkroyal: RGT 310 (370); Federal Hotel: RGT 190 (210); Malaya: RGT 138 nett (184 nett); Holiday Inn On The Park: RGT 310 nett (330 nett); Mandarin: RGT 115 (115); Grand Pacific: RGT 130 net (140 nett).

Kota Bharu

Perdana Hotel: RGT 180 nett (210 nett).

Ipoh

Royal Casuarina: RGT 220 (220); Excelsior Hotel: RGT 189 nett (201 nett).

Kuantan

Hyatt: RGT 280 (300); Merlin: RGT 166.75 nett (166.75 nett).

Kuala Terengganu

Tanjung Jara Beach Hotel: RGT 200 nett (230 nett); Pantai Primula Hotel: RGT 180 (195).

Kota Kinabalu

Hyatt Kinabalu International: RGT 320 (320); Tanjung Aru Beach Hotel: RGT 365 (395).

Kuching

Holiday Inn Kuching: RGT 145 (175); Kuching Hilton: RGT 260 (280); Holiday Inn Damai: RGT 230 nett (253 nett).

Restaurants

Kuala Lumpur

Chinese: Marco Polo, Jalan Raja Chulan; Inn of Happiness, Kuala Lumpur Hilton; Golden Phoenix, Hotel Equatorial; Kum Leng, Jalan Pudu; Sze Chuan, Jalan Sultan Ismail; Oversea, Central Market.

European: The Ship, Jalan Sultan Ismail; The Chalet, Hotel Equatorial; Copper Grill, Le Coq D'or, Jalan Ampang; Melaka Grill, Kuala Lumpur Hilton; Station Hotel; Eden, Jalan Raja Chulan.

Malay: Yazmin Restaurant, Ampang Park; Cempaka, Holiday Inn; Satay Aneka (Bukit Bintang Plaza).

Japanese: Daikoku, Kompleks Antara-bangsa; Chikuyo-Tei, Plaza See Hoy Chan, Jalan Raja Chulan; Kampachi, Hotel Equatorial.

Korean: Koryo Won, Kuala Lumpur, Manna, Petaling Jaya.

Taiwanese: Formosa Restaurant.

Pakistan: Shiraz, Medan Tuanku Abdul Rahman.

American Fast Food: McDonald's, A & W, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Shakey's Pizza.

Eating out poses no problems, because there are eateries everywhere you go, or at any time of the day. From posh restaurants and cosy coffee-houses to informal street coffee-shops and hawker stalls, there is a tantalising array of food available.

All of the larger hotels in the country have a western menu and some may be more comprehensive than others.

American fast-food chains are well represented with outlets in all the larger towns.

The three major ethnic races of the country – Malay, Chinese and Indian – have all contributed to a seemingly endless variety of tempting dishes.

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Tipping

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Kuala Lumpur

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After off. hrs. (03) 2546473
Fax: 03-2422049
Office hours:
8.30 - 17.30 (Mon. - Fri.)
8.30 - 12.30 (Sat.)

Airport

Subang (22.5 km / 14 miles). Phone: 7462663
Duty-free shop for international arriving, as well as departing passengers.
Latest check-in time: 90 min. for int. dep.
Airport tax: MYR 15.

Sights and local attractions

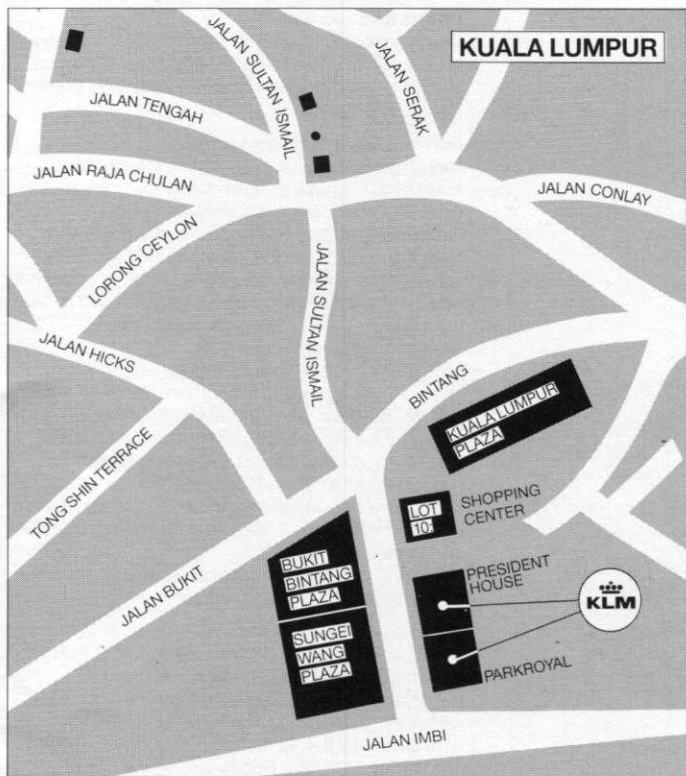
Territory

Malaysia consists of:
— Peninsular Malaysia, Sabah and Sarawak.

Kuala Lumpur, the capital of Malaysia, with over 1,000,000 inhabitants, has a mixed population of Malays, Chinese, Indians, Europeans and others. Founded in the year 1857, against a pioneering background of tin explorations, Kuala Lumpur is today the Federal Capital of Malaysia, the nucleus of the country's business and political activities.

Principal sights and places of interest

Lake Gardens, Parliament House, National Monument, National Mosque, National Museum, Karyaneka Handicraft Centre, China Town, Central Market, Daya Bumi Complex.



Sports and recreation

Rugby, hockey, cricket at Selangor Club Padang; badminton and basketball; football; swimming at Weld/Chinwoo pools in Kuala Lumpur and Public Pool, Petaling Jaya.

Surroundings of Kuala Lumpur

Batu caves, ½ hour by car from Kuala Lumpur; Malay and Chinese villages; tin mines; rubber estates; Forest Research Institute Kepong (arboretum, museum, research station); Templer Park 22.5 kilometers (14 miles) from Kuala Lumpur, with tropical scenery, waterfalls, swimming, animal sanctuary; Port Dickson 96.5 kilometers (60 miles) from Kuala Lumpur, favourite resort, perfect swimming, tropical scenery. Frasers Hill, 101 km / 63 miles from Kuala Lumpur, has a temperature of 14.5°C (58°F)-18°C (65°F). There is a 9-hole golf course, waterfall with natural swimming pools and colourful nurseries with giant anthuriums, chrysanthemums, daisies and roses. Genting Highlands, at 2,000 m/6,000 feet high and 51.5 km / 32 miles north of Kuala Lumpur, is the nearest hill resort with casino, 18-hole golf course, nightclub and cable-car system.

Mimaland – ½ hour by car from Kuala Lumpur in the hills – magnificent swimming pool.

Penang & George Town

Population about 600,000 on the Island of Penang; It is a rapidly growing holiday resort, only 20 minutes from the Malaysian mainland. (Butterworth) by de luxe ferry, fare Mal \$ 0.40 per person, cars up to Mal \$ 4.90 each.

The 13.5 km Penang Bridge linking the island to the mainland is also open, A toll of \$ 7.00 (for passengers cars) per vehicle is charged on entering the island only.

Sights and places of interest: Penang Hill 689 m. (2,270 ft) by cable car, with restaurants and hotels, cool and restful; Ayer Itam temple with the pagoda of Ten Thousand Buddahs, is only one of its kind in the East.



Snake Temple, full of live snakes; magnificent Tanjong Bunga (Flower beaches), seaside bungalows, restaurants. Penang-Airport is served by multiple flights to and from Kuala Lumpur, Singapore and Bangkok.

Ipoh

A charming Malaysian town, capital of the State of Perak, half way between Kuala Lumpur and Penang in Kinta Valley, the location of Peninsular Malaysia's richest tin mines. Principal sights and places of interest: Ipoh cave temples; Cameron Highlands, famous mountain resort, two hours by car from Ipoh; excellent golf course and hotels; 108 km (67 miles) away is the island resort of Pangkor with chalets from Mal. \$ 110 - 165 on beach, swimming, sailing, shell collecting.

Malacca, unique with its narrow streets and quaint old buildings. Once the capital of an ancient Malay Kingdom, the city became successively a Portuguese, Dutch and finally British Colony. Her medieval charm, narrow streets, picturesque buildings such as The Christ Church, St. Paul's Church, Porta de Santiago, Stadhuys and the Church of St. Peter, polyglot population and other marks of history under the five flags, will add to your store of memories of your visit to the country. Off-shore Islands: Langkawi, in the north, is an isle of legends, ideal for fishing. Rawa, in the south east, is famous for scuba-diving, spear-fishing, lobster-hunting and underwater photography. Equally popular are the islands of Tioman and Pangkor. For the more adventurous and the nature lovers, Malaysia's National Parks - the Taman Negara in Peninsular Malaysia, the Bako National Park in Sarawak and the Kinabalu National Park in Sabah offer a tour full of thrills. The east coast of Peninsular Malaysia, covering the states of Pahang, Trengganu and Kelantan, is famous for its lovely beaches, weaving, silverware, ancient arts and crafts.

Hill Resorts

Fraser's Hill, Genting Highlands and Cameron Highlands, all in Pahang.

Kota Bharu and Kuala Trengganu

Towns on the East coast of Peninsular Malaysia where the famous giant turtles come from May to September to lay their eggs. Tourists gather to watch them especially at Rantau Abang beach, north of Dungun.

Kota Kinabalu

Gateway to one of South-east Asia's highest mountains and easily accessible Mt. Kinabalu, 4,101 m (13,455 feet) high, colourful Tamus (village markets), Bajau cowboys of the East. Only 2 to 3 flight hours from Kuala Lumpur, Singapore and Hong Kong.

Kuching (Sarawak)

The Capital exudes an atmosphere of charm. The Sarawak Museum, housing dioramas of the Niah Caves, ethnological artifacts and fauna of the island of Borneo. Historical Astana, Fort Margherita reminiscent of the "White Rajah" period.

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Kuching

Limbang Travel Service
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8 - 16.30 hours (mon. - Fri.); 8 - 12 (Sat.).

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Phone: 2434929
- Subang Airport, Kuala Lumpur, Arrival Hall
Phone: 7465707

Business-Guide Information:

- Trade Index of Malaysia
 - Kompas.
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Business Contacts

Malaysian International Chamber of Commerce & Industry: Phone: (03) 2542117.

Transport

Taxis: MYR 1.50 for first 2 km plus 10 sen for each additional 200 metres.

Mini Buses: 60 cents to any destination around Kuala Lumpur and Petaling Jaya.

Car rentals

Kuala Lumpur

Hertz: Phone: Town 2421014; Airport 7462091

Small car: MYR 60 p. day plus 0,55 p km.

Volvo 240: MYR 160 p. day plus 1,25 p. km.

SMAS: Phone 2307788

Small car: MYR 88 p. day plus 0,36 p. km.

Volvo 240: MYR 216 p. day plus 0,66 p. km.

Water

Water is safe to drink in major towns. However, it may be boiled as an additional precaution.

Electricity

220 Volts; 50 cycles.

Driving licence

International driving licence accepted, seatbelts compulsory. Crash helmet compulsory for motor-cyclists.

Important

Trafficking in illegal drugs carries the death penalty.

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